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EO 11652: NA

TAGS: PINT PINS BR

SUBJ: MORE BOMBINGS AND BISHOP MALTREATED

REF: RIO DE JANEIRO 3161

1. SUMMARY: LITTLE OVER ONE MONTH AFTER BOMBING OF BRAZILIAN PRESS ASSOCIATION AND BOMB ATTEMPT AGAINST BRAZILIAN BAR ASSOCIATION (REFTTEL), TWO NEW INCIDENTS TOOK PLACE IN RIO EVENING OF SEPT 22-23. BRAZILIAN ANTICOMMUNIST ALLIANCE (AAB) CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE LATEST INCIDENTS AS IT DID FOR THOSE IN AUGUST. END SUMMARY.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, BISHOP OF RIO INDUSTRIAL SUBURB, NOVA IGUACU, DOM ADRIANO HIPOLITO WAS SEIZED ALONG WITH HIS NEPHEW IN NOVA IGUACU BY UNKNOWN ASSAILANTS IN TWO AUTOMOBILES AT APPROXIMATELY 7:30 PM EVENING OF SEPT 22. HE WAS FOUND ABOUT TWO HOURS LATER IN NORTHERN RIO SUBURB, NUDE, SLIGHTLY BRUISED, HANDS AND FEET BOUND AND COVERED WITH MERCUROCHROME, BUT OTHERWISE UNHARMED. HIS NEPHEW, WHO WAS HELD SEPARATELY, WAS FOUND UNHARMED MORNING OF SEPT 23. BISHOP'S AUTOMOBILE, IN WHICH HE WAS TRAVELING WHEN KIDNAPPED, EXPLODED AT 12:30 PM IN FRONT OF OFFICE OF

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF BISHOPS OF BRAZIL. PAMPHLETS, LEFT AT

SCENE BY AAB, STATED THAT THERE WAS COMMUNIST NUCLEUS IN CATHOLIC CHURCH AND THAT BISHOP WAS BEING PUNISHED BECAUSE HE WAS MEMBER OF THIS GROUP. (CONSULATE NOTES THAT BISHOP ADRIANO HIPOLITO HAS BEEN OUTSPOKEN CRITIC OF BOTH SOCIAL CONDITIONS AND "DEATH SQUAD" ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT RIO'S POOR WORKING CLASS SUBURBS KNOWN COLLECTIVELY AS THE BAIXADA FLUMINESE.)

3. SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT SEPT 23, ZOMB WAS THROWN ON ROOF OF HOME OF O GLOBO NEWSPAPER, RADIO, AND TV CHAIN OWNER, ROBERTO MARINHO. THIS BOMB SLIGHTLY WOUNDED TWO HOUSEHOLD EMPLOYEES. (DEPT IS AWARE O GLOBO WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS FAITHFULLY HEWS TO GOVERNMENT POLICY OF THE MOMENT.)

4. JORNAL DO BRASIL REPORTS RECEIVING TELEPHONE CALL JUST AFTER MIDNIGHT FROM PERSON STATING THAT BOTH "WARNINGS" WERE WORK OF AAB.

5. EMBASSY CONCURS IN THIS MESSAGE.  
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